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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Jocelyn G. Boyd, Esquire
Chief Clerk & Administrator
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100
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RE: South Carolina Energy Freedom Act (House Bill 3659) Proceeding to Address S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-27-460(A)(1) and S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-27-460(A)(2) (Promulgation and Periodic Review of Standards for Interconnection and Parallel Operation of Generating Facilities to an Electrical Utility's Distribution and Transmission System)
Docket No. 2019-326-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

By this letter, the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") hereby notifies the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") that ORS has reviewed the Application filed by Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc. ("DESC" or the "Company") for Approval of Appendix DESC CS ("Appendix") to the South Carolina Generator Interconnection Procedures ("SCGIP") to establish a DESC-specific cluster study approach to studying and processing generator interconnection requests under the SCGIP. The Company's Application was filed with the Commission on January 12, 2022.

Through the Application, the Company requested approval of the Appendix to the SCGIP to enable the transition from a serial study generator interconnection approach to a cluster study generator interconnection approach.

Specifically, the Company requests Commission:

- 1) Authorization to transition the Company's generator interconnection study process from a serial study process to a cluster study process (the "Definitive Interconnection Study Process" or "DISP") pursuant to Section 1.1.1.3 of the SCGIP; and

- 2) Approval of the new DESC-specific Appendix to the SCGIP pursuant to which DESC will administer the DISP.

According to the Company's Application, this proposal will enable DESC's transition from a serial study generator interconnection approach to a cluster study generator interconnection approach and is substantively similar to the Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and Duke Energy Progress, LLC's cluster-study approach, which was approved by the Commission in Order No. 2021-439 on June 18, 2021.

ORS does not object to the Company's request provided the processes continue to support the provision of safe and reliable service and results in timely and non-discriminatory processing of the SCGIP. Should the Commission approve the Company's Application, ORS recommends that DESC strictly enforce the SCGIP, with its proposed modifications, and enforce the process and timelines as proposed.

Sincerely,



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